Mesa Community Action Network, Inc. Mesa, AZ

Project Title MesaCAN Assets for Independence Demonstration

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AFI Grant Amount \$571,000

Nonfederal Support \$571,000

Project Period September 2005 – September 2010

Highlights Mesa Community Action Network will expanding existing

AFI and other IDA programs to offer 217 new IDAs: 152 for homeownership, 53 for post-secondary education, and 12 for microenterprise. The match rate will vary from \$1 to \$1 to other amounts, depending on the asset purchase and agency

coordinating participant involvement.

Target Population State of Arizona.

Grantee/Collaborative Description Mesa Community Action Network Inc. is a Community

Action Agency and has developed anti-poverty services since the 1960s, including existing IDA and AFI Projects operating across the State of Arizona. Four of the five members of this collaborative are contributing matching funds. All five conduct outreach, recruitment, selection, and

case management. Agencies include community development and services agencies. One agency,

Neighborhood Economic Development, provides technical assistance to collaboration members. National Bank of Arizona and Wells Fargo have waived account fees and are supporting financial education for IDA participants.